

## Read to Lead Development Council

“Homework” assignment for August 21, 2018 Meeting

***Due date to DCF: August 14, 2018***

Please complete this “Homework” and return to [Amanda.reeve@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Amanda.reeve@wisconsin.gov) by August 14, 2018.

### Purpose

This “Homework” aims to solicit your **advance** input on three key items pertaining to the Read to Lead Development Council:

1. The mission statement of the Council
2. Priorities of the Council
3. Scope of the Council’s work

We will compile all the feedback from all Council members, and present the cumulative feedback as input for discussion on August 21st. Your advance input will help us identify areas of consensus and differences among the Council members, and allow us to use our time efficiently.

If you have any questions about this homework, please contact Amanda Reeve at [Amanda.reeve@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Amanda.reeve@wisconsin.gov) or 608.422.6079. We are grateful for your active participation.

### Homework activities

Please complete the Homework assignment by completing the following activities:

1. Read the *draft* versions of the mission statement, priorities and scope, below.
2. If you agree with the draft versions exactly as written, please check the “**Agree as-is**” box next to the draft versions.  
If you do not agree with the draft versions, please use the designated space below the draft versions to type in the EXACT changes you are proposing. Please be very specific.
3. Send your completed assignment back to [Amanda.reeve@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Amanda.reeve@wisconsin.gov) **by August 14, 2018**

We anticipate this Homework to take **between 20 and 30 minutes**, depending on the changes you propose.

***Please type your *name* in the shaded box below:***



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## Draft MISSION STATEMENT of the Council:

“The mission of the Council is support literacy and early childhood development programs to help reduce opportunity gaps and ensuring that all children in Wisconsin enter school with the skills they need to learn to read.”

If you **agree** with the draft Mission Statement above, type “x” in the shaded box to the right:

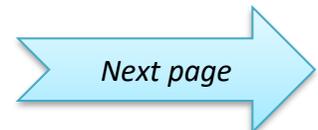
OR, if you **do not agree** with the draft Mission Statement above, please type the **EXACT** language you would like to propose in the shaded box below:

## Draft PRIORITIES of the Council:

- “Improve the early literacy skills of children at the beginning of Kindergarten
- Involve and engage parents and families in the important role they play in their children’s literacy development
- Provide professional development and technical assistance to early childhood care providers around developing early literacy skills
- Reduce achievement gaps”

If you **agree** with the draft Priorities as written above, type “x” in the shaded box to the right:

OR, if you **do not agree** with the draft Priorities above **or want to add other priorities**, please type the **EXACT** language you would like to propose in the shaded box below:



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**Statutory Responsibility of the Council** (for reference):

The Council's statutory responsibility is to make recommendations to the Secretary of DCF and the State Superintendent of DPI regarding grants from the Read to Lead Development. The grants support literacy and early childhood development programs.

**Draft POTENTIAL EXPANSION of the Council's SCOPE:**

**"With the very limited funds remaining in the Read to Lead Development, a possible expansion of the scope and statutory responsibilities of the Council could include:**

- **Conducting a needs assessment around important areas of need in Wisconsin related to early literacy**
- **Developing recommendations for improving early literacy skills in children including outreach to underrepresented and special populations**
- **Identifying opportunities for, and barriers to, collaboration and coordination among existing local, state, and national programs and services "**

*If you **agree** with the draft Scope as written above, type "x" in the shaded box to the right:*

*OR, if you **do not agree** with the draft Scope above, please type the **EXACT** language you would like to propose in the shaded box below:*